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NU PHI CHI

April, 1995

NEW FACE



Yes we have a new
face for our newsletter.

As you may have noticed,
we have a different format
also. The reason for this
is that we have a new

wench and co-editor for the newsletter in the
print shop. Jean will now be helping out with
the newsletter. Kathy Lorraine has decided
that she needs time off to work on lowering
her golf handicap. Until she comes to her
senses, please join me in giving her a great
big thank-you for doing a fantastic job on our
newsletter. So as I said, I will be helping with
the news letter.

Keep in mind a newsletter is only as
good as the members allow it to be. The edi-
tor only reports what she is presented with.
If we want a winning newsletter we must
depend on your input. Any contribution will
help: makeup tips, fashion tips, padding tips
(yes some of us use padding) or a story true
or make believe. Let's work together to put
out a informative and enjoyable newsletter.

ATTENDEES:

Denise M.	Jean H.
Janice G.	Patty J.
Colleen D.	Joan C.
Francis L.	Kathy L.
Jackie & Yvette	Nina Z.

ATTENDANCE ON THE RISE:

We had a nice turnout for the May meet-
ing. Also we were able to welcome three new
members at the meeting. First of all the return of
Nina Z., she attended last month's meeting as a
guest of Joan. Nina returned to join. We also had
a welcomed return visit from Michelle G., we
last saw her back in September. Our third atten-
dee at our meeting was Melissa H. This was her
second appearance. Her first was just the prior
week when she made her first public appearance
at the Buffalo Belles Nite out III or Xpression's
Niagara on the lake outing the weekend before!

GOOD ADVICE FOR THE CROSSDRESSER TOO!

WE ARE GETTING OUT MORE, USE COMMON SENSE & CAUTION

TravelUpdate

Safety Tips for Women Who Drive Alone

For many women, driving alone is a fact of life. Every day millions of women get into their cars taking personal safety for granted. Whether traveling to the grocery store or cross-country, precautions should be taken before and during driving to protect yourself and your possessions.

The American Automobile Association (AAA) provides a number of tips for improving personal safety both when entering and/or exiting your car and while driving.

- Always park in a central, well-lighted place.
- Keep your keys in your hand as you approach your parked car. Don't wait until you reach the car to search for them in your purse.
- Check the back seat before getting into the car, even if you left it with the door locked.
- If you notice someone suspicious near your car, walk in a different direction toward a public place and seek help.

The first step to improving personal safety while driving is to keep your car in good mechanical condition. By doing so, you

avoid being stranded on the road due to a breakdown. However, women who drive alone also need to be aware of other rules to increase safety:

- Lock all doors and roll up the windows while you drive.
- Never pick up hitchhikers.
- If your car becomes disabled, lock yourself in and turn on the four-way flashers until the police come.
- If you have a flat tire in a dark or dangerous location, drive slowly to the nearest service station or public place. Even if you ruin the tire, you will not have risked your life.
- Avoid short cuts that take you through unfamiliar or unsafe areas.
- If your car is rammed from behind and the hit seems deliberate, stay in the car with the doors locked. Wait for the police to arrive.

Finally, it's always a good idea to let someone else know where you are going, when you are expecting to leave and arrive, etc. Leave an itinerary of your trip with a relative or someone whom you speak with regularly and who would miss your call if something happened.

By keeping these simple suggestions in mind, you can not only protect yourself and your possessions, you could also save your life!

1995 ACCOUNTING AS OF APRIL 15, 1995

Balance from March 18, 1995

\$469.00

Yearly dues 1 @ + \$25.00

1 @ + \$15.00

Meeting fees 11 @ \$5 +\$55.00

total \$95.00

Copies - \$27.00

Postage 1/1 - 3/31 - \$57.00

April pizza - \$32.00

total \$116.00

Balance \$448.00

Calendar

April 22-- Nite Out Rocky Horror Theater Show

April 23-- Erie Sisters meeting road trip.

May 06-- Buffalo Belles reg meeting. makeup demo, elections ideas, pizza and good talk good time.

May 13, 27--Rochester CD Meeting Hotline 251-2132

May 18-21-- Poconos

June 03-- Buffalo Belles reg meeting. Take to meeting- your best "OUT OF AFRICA" safari attire! OK, dumb idea, What's yours?

June 8-11 Be All Cincinnati Ohio. The big regional. Denise will be there.

June 23-25 Buffalo Open-- I'll be there representing us. Pray!

July 08-- Buffalo Belles regular meeting. Note date. 2nd weekend. Election time I guess.

A LETTER FROM JANICE:

There has been a request to have a full governing body for the Buffalo Belles. Since the last attempted election for officers was tried over a year ago this is a valid and justifiable request. Last time we tried this nobody wanted to run (must be the heels) for election so we carried over the previous individuals.

While this is a timely item it brings to question what positions should we have (due to our limited group size), what their duties should be and if the positions should be elected or appointed. At the current time we have a President, Vice President, Business Manager, Newsletter Editor, Interviewer, and librarian. Some individuals hold more than one position.

It has been suggested that instead of having separate elected positions we have a Tribunal of three sisters who will discuss and make any decisions which might be needed.

If you have any suggestions, comments, questions or nominations please submit them or leave a message on the hotline. The nomination process will be closed at the June meeting. If you like the idea of a Tribunal you can submit up to three names. Based upon the nomination process the voting process will be finished at the July meeting. Anybody for term limits?

NAME TAGS:

There was discussion at the April meeting concerning name tags for the Buffalo Belles members. It was tentatively decided to order one but to pattern the type after the tag I received by joining Xpressions (see example). The cost of the tag (which is a heavy duty metal one) will be \$5.50 with a additional \$3.50 for a magnetic backing to avoid the use of pins. Colors and writing will be decided with the group name being an option. The writing style can be mixed with any of the pin colors although the writing colors are preset with the pin color. If you have a preference that the Belles should decide upon please let me know. If you would like to order just one

send in your name, if you wish the name Buffalo Belles to be included, and a \$5.00 deposit, remaining will be due upon receiving the pin.

Writing Style	color : Pin	Writing
Block	Burgundy	White
Contemporary	Silver	Black
Old English	Lt Gray	Blue
Script	Lavender Blue	Green
Century	Pink	Tope
Advent Grade	Gold	Black

JANICE
XPRESSIONS CHARTER

Xpression's

The first ever Xpression's Niagara on the Lake weekend was held on the March / April transition. We first gave it note back in January newsletter. It was terrific! Everything went very well in the wonderful location it was held. Looking forward to a repeat for the next year. This can really become our "local" event. This year we did much better than I expected. At this time last month, I was worried that we might only have three of us attending. i was, happily, way off. We had eight Belles there, out of about forty five. About a dozen wives were also in attendance.



LIBRARY CONTENTS

As you can see our library is growing, which is good. Along with growth it becomes harder to carry the contents to the meeting room. From this point on we will operate on the honor system. Each item will have a 5x7 card attached. When you want to take home something from the library, go downstairs, select an item and remove the card and fill it out. Place the card in the file box. When you bring the item back, remove the card and mark it returned, place it back with the item. Remember others are interested in viewing these items, so please return the items promptly.

Thanks,

Jean H.

Book Style is not a size.
Book Transvestites and transsexuals.
Book Speaking as a woman.
Book What sex am I.
Book My husband wears my clothes.
Book Crossdressing with dignity.

Flyer Hormones 19 pages.
Flyer How to be a woman.
Flyer News letters from inception.
Flyer Other Clubs news letters.

Video Crossdressing shows # 1.
Video Crossdressing shows # 2
Video Crossdressing shows # 3
Video The crying game.
Video Transsexual # 1
Video Transsexual # 2
Video Transsexual # 3
Video Take a walk on the wild side.
Video Total makeup tape.
Video Transsexual shows.
Video Girl talk.
Video Jerry Springer shows.

How about that for nerve! More on Nite Out III later.

AVON CANCELED:

We were stood up at the last minute for the planned make up session by Avon. A repeat is scheduled for next month. Either Avon or Mary Kay. But you won't know unless YOU SHOW UP! That's May 6th meeting.

So instead of make overs, we had hen-pecking and pizza all night long. Pictures of Niagara On The Lake were passed around. Nina brought her scrapbook. Is she destined for a model or what??

Also brought up was a couple of events you have already missed, unless YOU WERE THERE and attending the Rocky Horror Picture Show. playing at a local theater. And the road trip to Erie Pa. or if you checked the Hotline out occasionally. They were on April 21 & 22 respectfully. Sorry if you missed out. But that is why we have a Hotline. Call it every week or so. Just say hello. It'll be nice to get a message for a change! Give us your opinion on some idea or topic. Volunteer for something. Tell me how wonderful I am. How wonderful Janice or Denise are, or how wonderful you are.

Elections???

The most interesting thing at the meeting was the idea of holding an election for officers of the Buffalo Belles / Nu Phi Chi. What a strange idea! Democracy the gringo's call it! Gee, the old system seemed to be working OK. But Joan sees it differently. I don't see anything wrong with using arm wrestling as a way to come up with our leaders. It has worked well by bringing us "Bulldog Denise", "bone Crusher Jan", and the biggest ape of all, Me, "To Tall Lorraine".

Seriously girls. It is an idea worth doing. We have had a good run the last three years. We have a really fine group. A solid foundation is

there. Is it time for some of you to stop in and start the next story? I hope so. I can easily think of several of you as good candidates.

We talked a bit about making the election not for the conventional Pres., VP., Sec., etc.. but for Tri-S... Three Sisters.. Three leaders who share the main responsibilities of security of membership, finances, and publicity. It is what we have had for the last year or so. It just kind of evolved.

We never held a formal election before, we have no precedents to hinder our way. Think of it. Are you ready to step forward?

NEW WENCH:

Speaking of stepping forward, we are proud to announce that we have a new wench in the print shop. Jean H. has volunteered to help out with the newsletter. This month's edition is the first of her collaboration. I'm sure we will soon be seeing a much more professional appearance in the coming months. If Jean's written output is anything like her verbosity, I'm sure we'll soon be receiving a 100 page full color mag before long. A regular nonstop chatterbox! She has been the one who has brought us the pop, ice and snack tray to every meeting. She also has taken care of our library the last few months. looks like one of those Sister candidates to me! Really Jean, Thank-you for what you have done so well and so unrecognized in the past. I really appreciate your coming on board to help and give me a hand in the production of this rag.

Register Tapes:

Don't forget to collect your Tops and Quality Market tapes. Also your Campbell's soup can labels. We would like to donate them in one group[for the third anniversary of the use of their facilities in September. So save them up the next few months and we'll give them as our thanks.